



Dinosaur Class Monthly Newsletter

August 2019

Hello to all parents attending Marshall for the first time, and to those who have had older children with us, we say 'Welcome Back'. My name is Teacher Gareth and I shall be your kids teacher as we explore this brave new world together. With a new environment, new experiences, and new classmates to discover, changes this large can be difficult for an adult to fully deal with let alone a 3 year old! With this in mind, our opening weeks are designed to ease the children into school life, with all its social complexities, rules and complications. Below are some of the subjects we will be focusing on to help in your kids English language journey.

Reading

Our books are aimed to be appropriate for the age and ability of the children in our classroom.

Reading is a key to learning from those who we may never meet and gives us access to the world in a format, not possible without this key skill.

Week 1: School

Week 2: School

Week 3: Lunch

Week 4: We Like to Play

Week 5: Kittens

Phonics

Phonics is the ability to interpret the different letters into sounds that, when put together, allow us to read or speak words, even words we have never seen before! This skill allows access to reading and writing to a degree that rote memorization is incapable of.

Week 1: P8-10 Syllables

Week 2: P8-10 Syllables

Week 3: P11-13 Phoneme Matching

Week 4: P15-17 The Alphabet

Week 5: P23-25 The Alphabet

Core Material

An 'extra knowledge' core materials is designed to help kids understand the world at large. From concepts such as 'heat' or 'cold', to deeper questions such as 'what is the sun?' Core materials does it all, helping the children express themselves using words and ideas.

Week 1: Letter Recognition: A-Z

Week 2: Letter Recognition: A-Z

Week 3: Letter Recognition: A-Z

Week 4: Letter Recognition: A-Z

Week 5: Letter Recognition: A-Z

Conversation

This book focuses on the meaning of new words as well as the environments they belong in. From objects found in a bedroom, such as: bed chair, clothes, wardrobe... to places they might go to, the range of small topics the book covers is somewhat extensive. Expanding the kids vocabulary will allow them to use English while out-and-about reinforcing the lessons they are being taught inside of school.

Week 1: Unit 1 – A (a duck, a cat...)

Week 2: Unit 1- A (a duck, a cat...)

Week 3: Unit 2- An (an apple, an egg...)

Week 4: Unit 2- An (an apple, an egg...)

Week 5: Review Units 1 and 2 (a and an)

Math

Our MPM books are colorful and fun for the kids to work with. With multiple styles to help the kids learn about counting and numbers, it often becomes one of the kid's favorite lessons to learn about as there are lots of enjoyable games that can be played using numbers and symbols.

Week 1: A1 p. 1-6- properties of shapes and colors

Week 2: A1 pages 1-5, properties of shapes and colors

Week 3: A1 pages 6-10, Numbers writing practice

Week 3: A1 pages 6-10, Numbers writing practice and reciting numbers

Week 4: A1 pages 6-10, Numbers reciting numbers review

Songs and Movement

A class favorite, this lesson is dedicated to giving the kids some light indoor exercise and learning a range of musical songs that we can sing together as a group. These songs will often be accompanied with hand, foot, and body actions to get them moving!

Week 1: Walking, Walking and Good Morning

Week 2: Walking, Walking and Good Morning

Week 3: Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes and One, Two, Buckle My Shoes

Week 4: Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes and One, Two, Buckle My Shoes

Week 5: Teddy Bear and Where is Thumbkin

Thematic Activity

Each week we do a special thematic activity based on a topic for the month. From countries to events, we will design something for the kids to make and take home to proudly show you all their hard work and dedication.

Week 1 – 5: Space



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親愛的家長您們好，也許您的寶貝第一次來到瑪歇爾，也許曾有哥哥姊姊在這裡就讀過，我們都誠摯的歡迎您們加入瑪歇爾這個大家庭！我是恐龍班的外師 Tr. Gareth，未來我將陪伴您的寶貝一起探索這個嶄新的世界。隨著一個全新的環境、全新的同學及全新的體驗，對大人而言，任何一項改變都可能是一項艱難的挑戰，更何況對一位剛滿三歲的孩子呢！考量到這個部分，初期的課程我們會以讓寶貝能輕鬆適應學校生活為主，這當中包含團體生活與其規範。透過以下的課程，未來我們將幫助您的寶貝在英文學習之旅上探索與發展。

Reading (閱讀)

我們的閱讀書籍以適合目前孩子的年齡及能力為主；閱讀是帶領我們學習新知和探索世界的關鍵因素，沒有閱讀能力，我們便無法認識這個豐富的世界了。

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Phonics (自然發音)

自然發音能幫助我們將不同的字母轉換成一種聲音，當它們組合在一起的時候，我們就可以閱讀或唸出來，即使是我們從未見過的字！自然發音還可以提升我們閱讀和書寫能力，這些都是死記硬背所做不到的。

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Core Material (核心材料 / 主教材)

Core Material 是一個 “ 特大的知識庫 ” ，主要在帶領孩子了解整個世界，例如“冷與熱” 的概念，或者再深入一些的 “ 什麼是太陽？ ” Core Material 都包含在內，透過 Core Material 中的文字和想法，孩子可以學習表達自己。

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Conversation (會話)

工作書著重在孩子生活周遭的文字意義，舉凡臥室裡的物品，如床、椅子、衣服、衣櫥...到孩子可能會去的地方；書中小小的主題涵蓋著廣大的範圍。擴大孩子的單字量將有助於他們使用英文，強化他們在課堂上學習過課程。

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Math (數學)

我們的 MPM 數學有著豐富的色彩與趣味性，透過多元方式，孩子可以學習計算與數字，課程裡還有著許多有趣的遊戲，孩子可以使用數字和符號卡來進行遊戲，因此，MPM 常常成為孩子們最喜愛的課程之一。

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Song and Movement (歌唱律動)

這也是孩子最喜愛的課程之一，這個課程提供孩子一些輕微的室內運動，以及學習一系列大家可以共同合唱的歌曲。此外，這些歌曲也伴隨著一些手足律動，讓孩子可以隨著歌曲擺動身體。

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Thematic Activity (主題活動)

每周我們都會根據這個月的主題設計一個特別的主題活動，從各個國家到節慶活動，我們會帶孩子創作一些物品，並且讓孩子帶回家，驕傲地與爸爸媽媽分享自己的努力與付出。

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